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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Tzeng *et al.*  
Serial No.: 09/826,676  
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For: Isolated Thermal Interface  
Group Art Unit: 2811  
Examiner: Costanzo  
Attorney's Docket No. P-1026/N-8369

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**  
**NOTICE: THIS APPLICATION IS UNDER FINAL REJECTION**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The following amendments and comments are submitted in response to the Final Official Action mailed July 31, 2002. Reconsideration in view of this amendment, and allowance of all pending claims 1-20 is requested.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claim 1 to read as follows:

1. An isolated thermal interface comprising a flexible graphite sheet including particles of natural graphite, the sheet having two major surfaces, at least one of the major surfaces coated with a protective coating sufficient to inhibit flaking of the particles of graphite.

**MARKED UP VERSION OF THE CLAIMS**

1. (Amended) An isolated thermal interface comprising a flexible graphite sheet including particles of natural graphite, the sheet having two major surfaces, at least one of the major surfaces coated with a protective coating sufficient to inhibit flaking of the particles of graphite.

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